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## FAMILY HISTORY

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Name? Dr. Arthur B. Clarke - Plantersville, S.C.

Lot and Concession?

Date of Birth? 1872Date of Death? 1922

Place of Burial?

Parents? John Clarke and.....Where did they live? Brampton

From where did they come and when?

Wife's name?

Wife's father's name?

Wife's father's place of residence?

Date of wife's birth?

Date of wife's death?

Place of wife's burial?

What was.....Occupation? A newspaperman, later Physician

Religion?

Politics?

What offices did he hold in the Community, Township, County, Province, School and Church?

To what Societies or Military Organizations did he belong?

Did he raise any pure-bred stock? If so, what breeds?

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Name? Dr. Arthur B. Clarke Brampton  
Lot & Con.

CHILDREN (IF ANY)

Please List as follows:

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|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| (1) Name          | (2 ) Date of Birth   | (3) Place of Residence |
| (4) Date of Death | (5 ) Place of Burial | (6) To whom Married    |

ALSO OWNED:

Any further information ?

Employed by The Empire and The News in Toronto, later by  
Detroit News.

Graduated as a Physician and Surgeon at Baltimore, Md.  
Practised at Plantersville, S.C. U.S. where he died.

For further information see G. W. Clarke  
43 Gola Rd. M.

FAMILY HISTORY

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Name? John Clarke

Lot and Concession?

Date of Birth? 1839Date of Death? 1929Place of Burial? Brampton Cem.Parents? Robert Clarke and .....Where did they live? Co. Tyrone, IrelandFrom where did they come and when? Ireland

1st. Wife's name? Sarah Riley } who were sisters) 13 Sisters in the  
 2nd " " Arabella Riley } Riley Family, no  
 1st Wife's father's name? - sons.  
 2nd " " -  
 1st Wife's father's place of residence? - } Fermanagh, Ireland  
 2nd " " " " - }  
 Date of wife's birth? 1844 Date of wife's death? 1869  
 2nd " " 1853 2nd " " 1884  
 Place of wife's burial? Brampton Cemetery

What was.....Occupation? Retail Grocer, and  
Clerk of Division Court  
for 18 years

Religion? ConservativePolitics? Church of England

What offices did he hold in the Community, Township, County,  
 Province, School and Church?

J.P. 1905Warden of Ch. of England, instrumental in building present churchPres. Conservative Association,Executive Committee Board of TradeMember Town Council and School BoardA Mason and member of L.O.L.

(See Folder for details)

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Did he raise any pure-bred stock? If so, what breeds?

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Lot &amp; Con.

Name? John Clarke

CHILDREN (IF ANY)

Please List as follows:

(1) Name	(2) Date of Birth	(3) Place of Residence
(4) Date of Death	(5) Place of Burial	(6) To whom Married
(1) Robert	(2) 1873	(3) Brampton
(4) 1879	(5)	(6)
(1) John	(2) 1878	(3) Brampton
(4) 1880	(5)	(6)
(1) Dr. Arthur B.	(2)	(3) Plantersville, S.C.
(4)	(5)	(6)
(1) G. Walter	(2) 1881	(3) 43 Lola Road, Toronto.
(4) Living	(5)	(6) Lucinda A. Welland Brown

ALSO OWNED:

Any further information?  
 John Clark was educated at Normal School, King & Simcoe, Toronto  
 In 1860's worked in Toronto (wages \$5 per month) - Employed  
 by Hughes and Thistle, Grocery, King & Bay, Toronto.  
 An original member of Fire Brigade Headquarters at Temperance  
 & Bay Streets, Toronto. It was only Firehall in Toronto.  
 60 members - no bell - only church bells. (See Folder)

Liquor Store License granted to John Clark 1874.  
 1874



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20 June, 1933.

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My father was born in Chinguacousy. His name was John Clarke. He was a Conservative, and entertained ~~Mr~~ John A. Macdonald the last time he was through the country campaigning in, I think, 1885. He (my father) was president of the Conservative association of the County of Peel. He was organizer for years for the party. He was clerk of the Division Court, and J.P., alderman and school trustee, and Warden of the Anglican Church in Brampton.

My father and Thomas Morphy bought the English Church building that is now in Brampton. The old English Church was up north of the present one. The first stained glass window was put in this church by Mrs. Thistle (Hughes & Thistle). My father worked once in Hughes & Thistle grocery store.

My father lived as a little boy near Springbrook, and later came to Toronto to live with his grandmother at the corner of Elm and Centre Sts. He went to the old school on the corner of Simcoe & King Sts. He and Col. Otter were great school pals. Then, in 1860, he went to Quebec, and took his civil service examinations, then he came back and worked in a grocery store on the corner of King and Bay Sts. Later he moved to Guelph.

Col. Otter was the second last, and my father was the last of the old original members of the fire brigade that had its headquarters on Temperance and Bay Sts.

My grandfather, Robert Clarke, came from Ireland, from Co.

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Robert Clarke, (cont.)

Tyrone.

My mother was Arabella Riley from Fermanagh, Ireland. There were thirteen sisters in her family, not a boy. Some of the sisters married into the Haggerts, Elliotts and Clarksons. My father married 2 sisters.

His first wife was Sarah Riley, and his second wife, Arabella, was my mother.

John Clarke's family: Robert, John, Arthur and Walter.

Robert died young.

Arthur Clarke died in South Carolina, where he had a plantation at Plantersville, S.C.

Walter Clarke, son of John Clarke.

I was born in Brampton, in 1881, on Queen St. right next to the post-office. I went to Miss Hannister's private school. Then I went to public and high school, then for a trip around the world.

*Military*

When the Spanish-American War broke out I was in Boston. I enlisted in the First Regiment of Heavy Artillery, Battery "C" under Col. Paffe. I went to Chickamauga, then on to Cuba. I was with the detachment that brought back Admiral Cervera and his officers after they had been captured, to Boston. I got my unconditional discharge there. It contained the phrase,

I came up here and joined the Mounted Rifles under Col. V.A.S Williams. I enlisted in Guelph, in April 1900, for the South

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African War. We went out on the Cestrian, having waited a month in Halifax for our remounts. We were 29 days crossing. Buried 100 horses and 2 men in the sea. Of the 18 trips that Captain Thomas made this was the worst. We ran 117 miles out of our course. We finally landed at Durban and led our horses ashore, camped for a week or two and then went up into the country. In Pietermorrisburg the first person almost I met was Tom Webster's brother, a man from Brampton, who was a very wealthy and prosperous man in this part of the world. It made the world seem small. While I was in Durban I went to a show, called The Sign of the Cross, and the leading lady was a daughter of Major Sprinkes of Toronto, whose brother was one of my officers. We had a few brushes with the Boers, and then the war was over and I came back to Brampton. Others who were in the Boer War were Brig. General Stewart, Strathcona Horse, and Jack McCulla, Strathcona Horse. Seymour Nixon who served under General Otter.

I received my discharge in 1904.

My uncle, Col. George Evans, of Bolton, <sup>was</sup> commandant at Stanley Barracks in 1902, and I served with the 36th Peel Regiment from that time, and got my long service medal, for 21 years continuous service. I am now carrying five decorations, The South African medal, long service medal, and three from the last war.



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After the South African War I went from here to El Paso, Texas, and when a revolution developed in Mexico, a lot of us enlisted to fight 'agin the government,' down near Juarez. We were paid in Mexican dollars, had almost more than we could carry, but they would buy very little. We would enlist with one force, get paid, desert, and re-enlist with another detachment, gradually working our way to the Border. The above is just a side-light and not for publication.

I was in Plantersville, S.C. when the war broke out in 1914. I was in the Elks Club on the night of August the fourth when I heard war had been declared. I sent a telegram to Col. Balcock at Brampton reading "Wire when and where to enlist." The answer came back, "Mobilizing here, report Thursday." I was there on Wednesday afternoon, and into uniform, and was the first man in the County of Peel to lead a detachment of men out of the County of Peel by the Brampton Band, for the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force. That event took place on the 7th of August, 1914.

We went to Ravina Rink and stayed there until along about the last part of August, and then with the first contingent went into training at Valcartier, which was the most modern camp in North America. We sailed on the Tyrolaa. There were 53,000 men left in 33 boats. This was the largest convoy to cross in the history of the War, and under the

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protection of the guns of the British Navy we never lost a dog, man or gun. On the way over we were met by a French battleship advising us that our destination was to be Southampton instead of Plymouth. 12 submarines waited for us at the entrance of Plymouth Harbour it seemed. 11 of these were captured. We went to Salisbury Plains and camped there till the 11 of February, 1915. Then we went into France, via Bristol and Avonmouth and Ste. Lazaire. We went into action as reserve supports to the Princess Pats at St. Eloi. We were at Fleur Bay, St. Julian, Festubert, Givenchy. We went in 1000 strong and 72 answered roll call. I was wounded in my shoulder, lost the sight of my right eye, ear drums pierced, legs filled with shrapnel. This was at Fleux Baire (?) and St. Julian. I was wounded at about 5 A.M., lay out all day, with shells popping over me. A shell bursting near me was what did the worst damage to me.

I was sent first to Roan, to the hospital in the Cathedral, then to Nettley Hospital in England, then to Lanark in Scotland. I was under close observation for T.B. and also after my return to Canada for 6 or 7 months. Then discharged as medically unfit and pensioned. After my return I was used as a speaker both in the United States and Canada. I spoke for Ex-President Taft in his Red Cross work, and also was on the Chatauqua programs as a lecturer.

In 1918 I went to work in the City Hall, in the Works Dept.

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In 1926 I was married, and went into business for myself  
as the Acme Window Cleaning Co. My wife was Lucinda A.  
Weiland Brown. F.H.

I resigned the commission I held when I was at Valcartier,  
in order get overseas, and among a few others enlisted as  
a private, was made a sergeant, transferred to the Armouries,  
commissioned Armour Corporal, which rank I carried through  
the War.

Officers of the 36th Peel as shown on program of a banquet  
given to Col. G. T. Evans, 11 March, 1904.

Captains.

Mr. Hartley Graham was from Caledon East.

W.C.V. Chadwick was an architect here in Toronto.

Col. Hamilton from Port Credit.

G.F. Gabriel from Beeton.

W.A. Smith, senior church warden in St. James Cathedral.

G.W. Stoddart in Christie St. Hospital.

W. Cowan is here in Toronto.

S.G. Beckett is dead.

Lt. J. Gray, starch factory at Port Credit.

Lt. Hedges, now Col. Hedges of the Queen's Own.

Lt. McPhedran, now Dr. McPhedran of St. Michael's Hospital.

Taken from a letter received from  
(original letter in General  
Correspondence.)

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A. W. Briggs,  
Briggs, Frost & Birks,  
Barrister, Solicitors,  
85 Richmond St. West,  
Toronto, Ontario.

29th August, 1932.

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I think you should include a substantial paragraph about Clarke Hall. You will remember that many years ago one of the founders of Lorne Park was J. B. Boustead, a well-known real estate man in Toronto. His only daughter married Alfred R. Clarke of the A. R. Clarke Leather Co. They continued to live at Lorne Park during the summers. Mr. Clarke died as a result of pneumonia which set in after the Lusitania disaster. He was thrown into the water and died in England. Mrs. Clarke continued to live in Lorne Park and added to her real estate holdings there. Rev. J. H. Dudgeon, a former pastor of the Methodist Church, interested her in the project of erecting a hall on a piece of ground immediately adjoining and to the west of the Methodist Church, and she carried out this project erecting on the south side of the Highway a very fine community building with a concert hall which can be turned into a splendid room for gymnastic exercises and basket ball and badminton and other games. The basement is equipped with a very good kitchen and is suitable for large banquets. The front of the hall has five rooms that can be rented out



for smaller gatherings. Mrs. Clarke not only paid for the land and the hall but for much of the furnishing as well. When completed it was turned over to a board of trustees but that board placed the management in the hands of a management committee which is quite undominational, and representative of a number of village activities, including the Village Council. The hall is available for use by all the churches but the United Church takes advantage of it most and in exchange for a substantial rental, uses it for Sunday School purposes on Sunday, and for a number of minor meetings each week. The Badminton Club uses it every week during the Fall and Winter months. The Basket Ball League does the same. The Dramatic Society holds three or four affair there every season and from November to May it is in constant use for community purposes. Mrs. Clarke herself is dead now but this hall will stand as a memorial to her foresighted benevolence.



*Evening Telegram*

*9th February 1958.*

## Proves Doctors In Wrong By Living To 90th Birthday

Caledon, Feb. 9 —(Special)—Mrs. Annie Jane Wilson of this village is quite satisfied that medical men and nurses of her youth did not know

my girlhood. Yet I celebrated my 90th birthday on Oct. 10."

Mrs. Wilson, whose maiden name was Annie Jane Clark, does not remember her mother, who died in her babyhood. She is the only survivor of a family of 13. "My mother was the daughter of an English landowner and did not have to do any work at home, and yet I believe few women had to work harder than she did after she came to Canada." Mrs. Wilson is active and takes a keen interest in current events. She recalls that her grandfather, Edward Clark, came to Canada from Ireland in his 90th year, and lived to be 116 years old. A monument in Caledon cemetery erected to his memory is inscribed, "Born 1781, died 1847."

Mrs. Wilson has travelled extensively. She visited Salt Lake City and remarked that it was in the year of her birth that Brigham Young led his followers to the present site of the city. "That is one city which has grown up in my lifetime," she said.

Thomas Wilson, her husband, a marble cutter, died in 1907. He was the author of the song, "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp the Boys Are Marching."

There is a family of four sons: A. C. (Adam) of Guelph, E. E. (Eddie), treasurer of Caledon township; W. G. (Will), a dentist in Erie, Pennsylvania, and Lamont of Salt Lake City.



MRS. THOMAS WILSON

what they were talking about. "They said I would never scratch a grey hair owing to my delicate health in

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EDWARD CLARKE

In memory of Edward Clarke, born November 8, 1731,  
died July 20, 1847. Native of County Monaghan, Ireland,  
116 years old. Came to Caledon Township when 90 years  
old. A son of Edward who located at concession 1, lot  
19, Caledon East. He was a vigorous man at the advanced  
age of 116 years. He received his second eye-sight and  
had his own teeth. He had a family of six.

Presbyterian.

*Buried in Caledon  
Cemetery #13.*

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## THE CONSERVATOR

THURSDAY, DECEMBER , 1937

## Herbert H. Clark

Shortly after walking home from a meeting of the Peel County Plowmen's association, where he had been elected a director last Friday afternoon, Hugh Herbert Clark, 247 Queen street west, suffered a severe heart attack and died. News of his sudden passing came as a distinct shock to a host of friends over a wide area. A son of the late John Clark of Antrim county, Ireland, and Jane Curry, Norval, he was born at Lot 16, Fourth line west, Chinguacousy, on Friday, December 27, 1861. The old Clark homestead was secured from the crown in 1828. His mother was a daughter of James Curry, a native of Ireland and the first clerk of Chinguacousy township. His uncle, Hugh Clark, was the first man to import Jersey cattle in Canada. Together with his uncle, he displayed Jerseys at the first Canadian National Exhibition, and since that time, he has not missed one of the national shows at Toronto. Four years ago he made a flying trip home from western Canada in order to keep his record unbroken. Throughout his life, he took a strong interest in light horses. Until 1931, he farmed at Lot 20 on the Third line west. Then he retired to Brampton to reside on Queen street. He was a member of several organizations in his own community, a director of the Peel Plowmen's association, a director of the Peel County Agricultural association, a past member of the Liberal executive, and was a Mason. Until 1926, he was an elder of Mount Pleasant United church. Then he assisted with the

rebuilding of Home United church and he remained a member of this congregation until the time of his death. There he was elder, treasurer, Sunday school worker, temperance advocate, and an active promoter of debating meetings. In 1893, he married Jane Copeland. In the following year he was bereaved of both his wife and an infant daughter, May Clark. His marriage to Charlotte C. Ford, daughter of Andrew C. Ford of Omagh and Mary Featherstone of Bethel, took place in 1901. Besides his widow, he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Alex. McKinney, Alton, and two grandchildren, Charlotte Ruth McKinney and Mary Elizabeth McKinney; also three brothers, J. Louis Clark, of Brampton; Fred A. Clark, of Wycliffe, B.C.; and Arthur Clark, of Pickering. He is predeceased by one sister and one brother, Mrs. Hamilton Lyons and William J. Clark. The funeral from Home United church to Norval cemetery on Monday afternoon was conducted by Rev. J. A. Leece of Huttonville. He was assisted by Rev. J. Ewing Reid, Toronto; Rev. William Booth, Camilla; and Rev. J. A. Gilbert, Norval. The funeral was largely attended and many floral tokens of sympathy were received. Honorary pallbearers were J. M. Dolson, H. A. Dolson, Hugh Black, and J. O'Neill. Pallbearers were Clarence Lyons, Hugh Clark, Arthur Clark, Clare Ford, Emerson Ford, and Alfred Ford. During the service in the church, Mrs. William Featherstone of Hamilton, a friend of the family, sang "Come Unto Me".

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### *Celebrated 90th Birthday*

William Clark, 2nd line, east, Mono, had the pleasure of celebrating his ninetieth birthday on Friday. Born in Caledon township he joined the Orange Order when 17 and is one of the oldest members in this district. He has five children living, 17 grandchildren and one great grandchild. Mr. Clark recalls the days when grain was cradled by hand and oxen were used for plowing and other farm work.

Chap V.

who accompanied Elliot

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This Thos. Clark (not Clarke) was Thos. Jr.  
son of Thos. Clark Sr. Mrs. John Bland  
was a dtn. (Mary) of Richard Clarke,  
another son of Thos. Sr. However,  
Thos. Jr. was a son of Thos. Sr. by a  
former marriage in England & therefore  
a stepbrother of Richard. He would  
be Mrs. John Bland's step uncle.

(Source Mrs. John Bland)

Thos. Clark  
lived on Lot 8 Con 9.  
Sne of Twenty N.D.  
right at Castlemore -  
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Church warden at St. John's  
Profess. 1845-55.  
was a member 1830-40  
Con. 1840-50

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*The Conservator, Feb. 20, 1919.*

Military Medal  
& Bar

A copy of the Army Orders containing the name of Corporal E. Clark, No. 818,000, C.I., cited for Military Medal was received this week by Corp. Clark's father. Since the ~~awarding~~ orders awarding the M.M. to Corp. Clark were issued, he wrote that he has gained a bar to the medal, but with the reticence characteristic of the true Briton, failed to give any of the details connected with the winning of the bar.

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"The Conservator."

Mar. 25, 1915.

Sergt. Walter G. Clarke.

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Mr. John Clarke received word on Thursday night last that his son Sergt. Walter G. Clarke, had been wounded in a bayonet charge. The cablegram stated that he had been severely wounded in the shoulder but gave no further particulars. The morning papers some days later stated that he was in the Rawalpindi Hospital, Boulogne. His many friends here are anxiously awaiting further particulars and hope to learn that his injuries were not very serious. Everything possible is being done for the care and comfort of the wounded in the various hospitals.

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~~Orange~~ <sup>Orange</sup>

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John Clarke, 88, the oldest living

Knight in Canada, a member of  
local Preceptory for 68 years.

## PEN PICTURES OF PEEL PERSONAGES.

No. 47 John Clarke

*Clarke*

Although John Clarke has removed to Toronto, he is too firmly fixed in the hearts of his friends for them to forget that on February 9th he celebrated his birthday and entered his 89th year. Many good wishes were waited to him on that day, wishes that his wonderful constitution and splendid spirit may bear him onward to the achievement of the century mark.

His father, Robert Clarke, came to Ontario from the north of Ireland, settling in Esquesing Township outside the Town of Brampton.

It was in his father's log-built farmhouse that Mr. Clarke was born, and it was from there, at the age of twelve years, he went to Toronto to finish his schooling at the old Model School then situated at King and Simcoe.

In those days Toronto lay between the narrow confines of the water-front, Simcoe, Sunach and Carlton. Beyond Carlton was the bush, miles of it, into which even the most venturesome youngsters rarely ventured.

Equipped for life by the education of the day, Mr. Clarke went into business, engaging as clerk

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with a well-known grocer of the day, a Mr. Cluff, and receiving \$5.00 per month as salary. While living in Toronto, he joined the Toronto Fire Brigade, then consisting of sixty members, and recalls some of the historic fires of the early days. There was then but one firehall, situated at Bay and Temperance Streets, and church bells summoned the firemen to duty, their being no bell on the firehall.

Coming to Brampton as a very young man, Mr. Clarke soon went into business for himself, and located on the southwest corner of Main and Queen, where the present Bank of Montreal is situated. He moved to Queen West, immediately south of the post office, where he carried on for many years. The courtesy of John Clarke, and his anxiety to please his customers were outstanding in days when such things as salesmanship and business proficiency were words as yet uncoined. This native courtesy has been a constant accomplishment of his life, in social, in fraternal as well as in business circles, and has proved an unbreakable link in the chain which binds to him hundreds of friends and acquaintances.

Mr. Clarke has been a member of the town council, has sat on the School Board, and in so doing has borne a citizen's part in the development of the town in



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which he spent so many useful and fruitful years.

*Orange*

His Orange connection is one of the happiest in his life. His father was an Orangeman before him, one of the oldest in Ontario, and John Clarke has advanced through the various degrees of the Order, until he achieved the Black, sitting very close to Sir James Craig on Aug. 12 last, when that famous and gallant Orangeman addressed the Black Knights from the stand in Gage Park. The distinguished visitor said that in his belief, Mr. Clarke is the oldest Black Knight either in Ireland or in Canada.

During his long residence in Brampton, Mr. Clarke was a faithful adherent of the Anglican Church, bearing important offices in the parish in his earlier days. The passage of years has removed one by one the partners of his joys and sorrows, and his children and grandchildren, leaving him with one son, Walter, the solace and staff of his old age. With Walter, Mr. Clarke is sitting in the sunset rays of a happy and genial life, set thickly with memories of kindly deeds for others, and of service to his community.

Prior to leaving for Toronto, Mr. Clarke severed his connection with the Division Court, having held the office of clerk for over 18 years.

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He is a life-long Conservative, and at the last election he took the train to Brampton to record his vote for Col. T. L. Kennedy, M.P.P.